

MEMORANDUM FOR: Dr. Henry A. Kissinger
Assistant to the President for
National Security Affairs

SUBJECT: Reaction Within the South Vietnamese
Government to the 19 October Neil Sheehan
Article in the New York Times

1. Enclosed is the text of a cable from our Station in Saigon reporting on conversations with key Vietnamese officials regarding the New York Times article by Neil Sheehan.

2. On the basis of this Saigon report, we conclude that President Thieu and his advisors on security and press affairs have accepted the affair with restraint. We do not anticipate any adverse reaction from the South Vietnamese Government on the matter.

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Deputy Director

Attachment as stated.

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